(THE HON'BLE SRI H. SIDDAIYA.)

| Taluk | (a) The number of acres of land that have been brought under regular cultivation in the Chickmagalur District under Grow More Food Scheme. | | (b) The number of acres of land in which foodgrains were grown etc. | | | |
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| | | | The number of acres on which foodgrains were grown. | | The number of acres in which commercial crops were grown. | |
| | Acres | Guntas | Acres | Guntas | Acres | Guntas |
| 1. Chikmagalur ... ... | 679 | 5 | 489 | 28 | 829 | 17 |
| 2. Mudigere ... ... | 588 | 17 | 598 | 17 | ... | ... |
| 3. Kadur ... ... | 9,968 | ... | 4,960 | ... | 5,008 | ... |
| 4. Tarikere ... ... | 926 | 6 | 926 | 6 | ... | ... |
| 5. Koppa ... ... | 80 | 31 | 80 | 31 | ... | ... |
| 6. N. R. Pura ... ... | 117 | 18 | 117 | 18 | ... | ... |
| Total ... | 12,519 | 37 | 7,122 | 20 | 5,897 | 17 |

## Audit of Accounts of Local Bodies.

*Q.—130 Sri G. VEERAPPA (Chitaldrug District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether the accounts of the several local bodies in the State municipalities and district boards are audited and if so, when they were last audited;

(*b*) whether the several local bodies have been making repeated requests in this behalf;

(*c*) whether they have considered the feasibility of permitting the local bodies to arrange for periodical local auditing?

*A.*—The Hon'ble Sri R. CHENNIGARAMIAH (Minister for Local Self-Government).—

(*a*) Consequent on the suspension of Local Audit due to paucity of trained staff as ordered in G. O. No. Fl. 3836, dated 17th March 1947, the accounts of the Local Self-Government Institutions in the State are not being audited from that date. But in the three local bodies, *viz.*, Bangalore City Municipality (now Bangalore Corporation), Mysore City Municipality and the Kolar District Board, where separate audit staff is attached to their offices, audit is being continued to be conducted.

(*b*) Yes,

(*c*) The question was examined. The constitution of a separate Local Audit Department for the audit of accounts of Local Bodies in the State has been sanctioned in Government Order No. Fl. 4000-4220, dated 31st March 1950, and an officer has since been posted (Government Order No. Fl. 6692-6912, dated 10th November 1950) as Examiner, Local Fund Accounts, for auditing the accounts of all the local bodies and the Municipalities in the State.

## Foreign Tour of Hon'ble Finance Minister.

*Q.—134. Sri G. VEERAPPA (Chitaldrug District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the total amount spent by them for the last foreign tour of the Hon'ble Finance Minister;

(*b*) whether in addition to the amount sanctioned by the Government, the several industrial concerns of the State have contributed any amounts towards the said tour?

*A.*—The Hon'ble Sri K. CHENGALARAYA REDDY (Chief Minister).—

(*a*) Rs. 12,125-13-0.

(*b*) No.